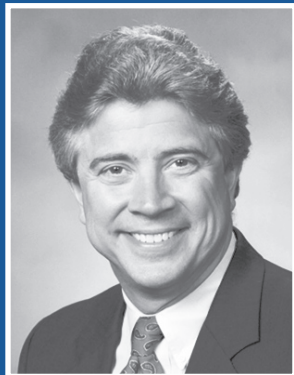


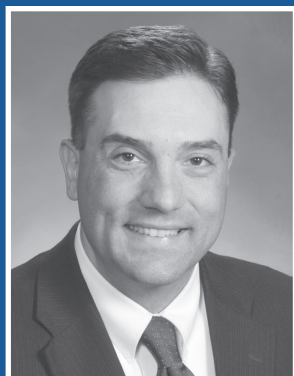
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Dear Neighbors and Friends,

With the coming of the holiday season, it is our hope you and your family enjoy this special time of year. It has been an eventful 2005 for the state of Washington. The issues we face continue to be challenging, but we believe that those challenges provide us the opportunity to make real progress.

As your state representatives, we'll be returning to Olympia in January. In 2006, like every even-numbered year, the Legislature will hold a 60-day session. This brief session means that a lot of work will be done in a very short amount of time. **Enclosed is our biennial survey on issues and ideas the Legislature will most likely consider.**

Your feedback is essential to us. We face enormous challenges to improving education, making health care affordable, investing in transportation improvements, encouraging a robust economic recovery and restoring voter trust. **Your opinion matters.**

While we could not touch on all the issues we may face in this survey, we have provided space at the end where you can write additional comments on matters of concern to you.

Please take the time to respond to our district survey. It is this dialogue with you that enables us to translate your priorities and concerns into action in Olympia.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact us via email or on our toll-free hotline at 1-800-562-6000.

It is an honor to serve as your representatives in Olympia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glenn Anderson".

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businesses to grow and create new jobs. Do you support a constitutional amendment that allows a capped 3 percent corporate income tax and clearly prohibits a personal income tax?

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a. Yes

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b. Yes, but only if state sales tax and property taxes are constitutionally capped also.

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c. No

State Budget/Taxes

In the 2005 Legislature the voter-passed I-601 state tax and spending limitations were repealed. Do you support a constitutional amendment that would require a 60 percent super-majority vote of the Legislature to raise state taxes and exceed a fixed spending limit based on population growth and inflation?

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a. Yes

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b. No

The 2005 Legislature passed 96 bills with emergency clauses into law. Emergency clauses give our governor and Legislature the ability to immediately direct resources in the case of a true emergency, rather than wait the required 90 days from the date of signing. Laws passed with an emergency clause prevent the public from petitioning for a constitutionally allowed referendum to the people that can repeal or amend a law passed by the Legislature. Do you support legislation to require a 60 percent super-majority vote of the Legislature to attach an emergency clause to any law enacted by the Legislature?

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a. Yes

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b. No

Currently our state has no personal or corporate income tax. The state corporate business & occupation (B&O) tax is levied on the gross receipts of businesses, regardless of whether they are profitable or not. This tax negatively impacts the ability of many small and mid-size

Election Reform

In 2005 the Legislature enacted election reforms that required "identification" to register to vote. However, the definition of identification included utility and telephone bills with no validation, photo or proof of citizenship. Should all citizens be required to show valid photo ID, proof of citizenship and to do so in person to be able to register to vote?

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Emergency Management

The natural disasters of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Indonesian tsunami, and the Pakistani earthquake show the catastrophic devastation and human suffering these events can create. Puget Sound is at high risk for volcanic and earthquake events on a similar scale. In such disasters the ability for government to respond effectively is the key to saving lives and beginning the recovery process.

Legislation will be proposed in January that will provide additional property tax authority to counties dedicated to emergency response planning and building necessary additional emergency communications infrastructure. Do you support increased property taxes to pay for local emergency preparedness?

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b. No

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The transportation resources required to quickly evacuate and then supply natural disaster survivors is an enormous job in major urbanized areas. Would you support reprioritizing the mission of Sound Transit to defer further investment in transit light rail and instead focus on an integrated bus rapid transit system serving public transit demands for the entire three county Puget Sound region that would also be designed to serve as an emergency evacuation and support transportation resource?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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The potential for pandemic viral infections, such as the Avian Flu will become more common in the future. Significant worldwide public health efforts are currently underway to combat the possible transmission of such pandemic viruses. However, none of these measures are 100 percent guaranteed. Which of the following measures would you support?

1. Require mandatory immunizations for school-age children?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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2. Significant new spending on state and county public health preparedness and response programs?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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3. Use of law enforcement and the national guard to quarantine infected geographic areas?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | b. No |

K-12 Education

Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL) Test Graduation Requirement

Beginning next year, 10th graders will be required to pass the WASL test as one requirement of high school graduation in 2008. State law provides for four retakes, prior to the student's senior high school year, to assure the opportunity to master skills and knowledge for graduation. There is anxiety among some parents about this graduation requirement as this deadline approaches, including the suggestion to eliminate the WASL test scores as a graduation requirement. Which of the following best describes your thinking on this issue?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. The WASL test is a good thing. It is necessary for students to have achievement-based standards that are measurable to assess whether or not students are learning the skills they need for higher education or a career. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | b. The WASL creates a teaching environment in which students are taught only what will be on the WASL test; totally disregarding other important subjects. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | c. Don't know. |

WASL Test Remediation Funding

Would you support a 1 percent reduction of all other noneducation state government spending (approx. \$130 million annually) to fund a "Graduation Achievement Fund" dedicated to WASL remediation programs including: before and after school programs, summer school and WASL retakes to assure that every child has an equal opportunity to graduate from high school?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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Career & Technical Training

Many parents believe that Career & Technical Education (vocational prep) programs should have equal standing with the emphasis on college prep associated with WASL achievement tests. Do you agree?

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Sex Education

Sex education is a complex topic within our K-12 schools. It is in the public interest that basic sex education on human biology and health consequences be addressed with our youth. Which of the following best describes your opinion on how sex education should be handled?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Sex education curriculum is the primary responsibility of parents. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | b. Sex education curriculum is the primary responsibility of school boards. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | c. Parents should be notified of sex education curriculum and have the option to opt their children out of such programs. |

Special interest activist groups have sought to encourage school boards and administrators to allow their sponsorship of school clubs providing information dealing with sexual identity issues. What is your opinion this issue?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. These groups should be encouraged. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | b. These groups should be regulated. |
| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | c. These groups should be banned. |

Freight Mobility and Ports

Freight

The competitiveness of the global economy places significant importance on the ability of ports to move air, land and maritime freight quickly and efficiently. To reduce commuter traffic congestion and improve freight traffic mobility throughout Puget Sound, it has been suggested that dedicated freight traffic lanes (similar to HOV lanes) be added as a transportation planning requirement. Do you agree?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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Port Districts

Should our state ports be more aggressive and accountable for creating more jobs and generating earnings from global trade to reinvest in our community and state economy?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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Health Care

Washington state is facing a health care crisis. Each year, businesses that offer employees health care coverage see their premiums rise in double digits which has caused employers to have more employee cost-sharing of premiums and/or drop employee health care coverage altogether. Have you or your family had to contribute more to an employer-sponsored health care plan or has your employer had to drop your company health care plan altogether?

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| <input type="radio"/> | | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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With the escalation of health insurance premiums growing faster than the state's economy, the debate on what state government should do about the issue has

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heated up. What should be the state government's role in health care?

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| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | a. Government should provide health care to all citizens, regardless of income. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | b. Government should make it easier for businesses to provide health care for their employees. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | c. Government's role is to provide health care only for those in poverty who cannot afford their own coverage. |

rently considering the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage law. Do you support the DOMA law?

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| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | a. Yes |
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Do you believe the definition of marriage should be defined by the courts, the Legislature or by an initiative of the people?

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| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | a. the courts. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | b. by the Legislature. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | c. by an initiative to the people. |

Controversial Issues

Gay & Lesbian Marriage

King and Thurston County superior courts have ruled that the state's Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) is unconstitutional. DOMA was passed by a broad bipartisan legislative majority and signed by the governor in 1998. This law defines marriage as a legal union between a man and a woman only. The state Supreme Court is cur-

Stem Cell Research & Genetic Engineering

In 2005 legislation was introduced to provide basic guidelines to prohibit reproductive cloning and allowing therapeutic cloning from in vitro fertilization produced eggs to create embryonic stem cells for medical research. Preliminary research has shown this research has the potential to address a number of medical conditions and injuries. However, any actual treatments for broad public use are decades away and face significant scientific challenges to assure medical safety. Stem cell

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